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# WASHINGTON GRASS & LEGUME SEED CROPS

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Dear Seed Grower or Handler:

The Washington Agricultural Statistics Service conducts surveys of grass and legume seed growers and handlers yearly. These annual surveys are conducted to document the quantity and value of these regionally important crops. Approximately three hundred fifty growers and handlers throughout Washington State were contacted in regard to these surveys. Your response was greatly appreciated, and helps to establish the significant role these crops play in our state's agricultural economy. Revised alfalfa seed estimates for 2002 and preliminary 2003 data are now available. Kentucky Bluegrass and Other Grass Seed estimates will be available mid-April 2004.

Sincerely,

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## GRASS & LEGUME SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION, PRICE, & VALUE

Crop & Year	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production	Average Price Per Cwt.	Value of Production
	Acres	Pounds	Cwt.	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
<b>Alfalfa Seed</b>					
1999	19,000	720	136,000	135.00	18,360
2000	17,000	790	135,000	125.00	16,875
2001	14,500	790	115,000	120.00	13,800
2002	14,000	850	119,000	120.00	14,280
<b>2003</b>	<b>12,500</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>102,000</b>	<b>130.00</b>	<b>13,260</b>
<b>Kentucky Bluegrass</b>					
1999	46,000	490	227,000	80.00	18,160
2000	57,000	570	323,000	80.00	25,840
2001	50,000	610	305,000	75.00	22,875
2002 1/ <b>2003 2/</b>					
<b>Other Grass 3/</b>					
1999	14,000	660	93,000	60.00	5,580
2000	9,000	670	60,000	70.00	4,200
2001	10,500	570	60,000	65.00	3,900
2002 1/ <b>2003 2/</b>					
<b>State Total</b>					
1999	79,000	577	456,000	92.00	42,100
2000	83,000	624	518,000	91.00	46,915
2001	75,000	640	480,000	85.00	40,575
2002 1/ <b>2003 2/</b>					

1/ Revised estimates will be available mid-April 2004.

2/ Preliminary estimates will be available mid-April 2004.

3/ Includes Red Clover.

# GRASS AND LEGUME SEEDS: BY COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, 2002-2003

Crop & County	2002			2003		
	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Production
	Acres	Pounds	Cwt.	Acres	Pounds	Cwt.
<b>Alfalfa Seed</b>						
Franklin	1,000	850	8,500	700	790	5,500
Grant	5,900	830	49,000	4,500	780	35,000
Walla Walla	6,100	920	56,000	6,000	890	53,500
Other	1,000	550	5,500	1,300	620	8,000
<b>Total 1/</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>119,000</b>	<b>12,500</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>102,000</b>
<b>Kentucky Bluegrass 2/</b>						
Adams						
Franklin						
Garfield						
Spokane						
Whitman						
Other						
<b>Total</b>						
<b>Other Grass Seeds 2/</b>						
Franklin						
Spokane						
Other						
<b>Total</b>						
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>						

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

2/ County level data for 2002 and 2003 will be available mid-April 2004.